

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer is an event of the American Cancer Society that is solely dedicated to breast cancer awareness and funding for research; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in women; and

WHEREAS, the chance of developing invasive breast cancer at some time in a woman's life is about 1 in 8; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 2,600 men in the United States are diagnosed with breast cancer each year and an estimated 440 men each year will die from the disease; and

WHEREAS, death rates from breast cancer have been declining, and this change is believed to be the result of earlier detection and improved treatment; and

WHEREAS, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walks are the largest network of breast cancer awareness events in the nation, uniting communities with a shared determination to help free the world from the pain and suffering of breast cancer;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 16, 2016 as

MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of
Vermont on this 21st day of September, A.D. 2016



A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by a long horizontal line.

Peter Shumlin
Governor